

## THE LACLEDE BLADE

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Brookfield has some good spellers—and some mighty foxy politicians among her teachers.

Roosevelt sentiment in this part of Missouri seems to be rapidly changing, and most of the voters seem to think it would hardly be giving "a square deal" to refuse a re-nomination—and re-election—to President Taft. We haven't asked the opinion of the "seven governors" about this, but have learned it from the voters themselves—the "common people."

Too often it is the things we shouldn't do that seem to make life worth living.

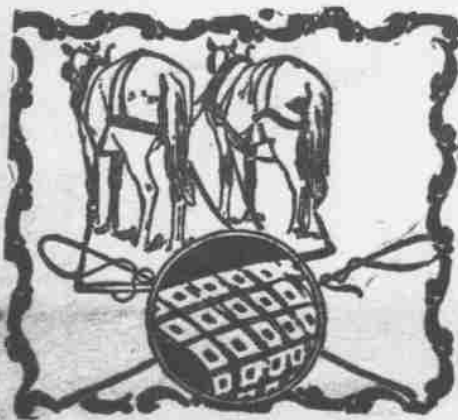
Some men respond more slowly to the touch of a woman's hand displayed upon their surroundings. The task may seem hopeless to the wife at times. But sooner or later the effect will show itself. There is something in every man which responds to a higher and gentler influence. Let his home be rough and he will be rough. But infuse into that home a softening touch, be it ever so simple, and the man feels it even though he may not directly notice it. He imbibes it unconsciously and its effect is sure upon him.

President Taft has given the country a safe and conservative administration. Business, big and little, has been promoted and benefited by the calm following the tumultuous administration preceding. Farmers have made more money in the past three years than in any other three years of the country's history. But the enemies of President Taft say he is a failure. Is he?

### Rasco Hanged

Protesting his innocence to the last, Hez Rasco, convicted of the murder of the Hubbell family Nov. 20, 1910, was hanged at Maryville at six o'clock last Tuesday morning. It is said that he had planned to commit suicide, but a minister persuaded him to give up the knife which he had concealed.

A Cold, La Grippe, Then Pneumonia is too often the fatal sequence, and coughs that hang on weaken the system and lower the vital resistance. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a reliable medicine that stops the cough promptly by healing the cause; soothes the inflamed air passages, and checks the cold. Keep always on hand. Refuse substitutes. Laclede Drug Co.



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## Farm Topics

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### Livestock Farming

The average Missouri farmer owns and operates his own farm. Ten per cent of Missouri farmers are renters, against 40 per cent in Iowa and 60 per cent in Illinois. This means that nine out of ten Missouri farmers are directly concerned in a system of farming that is profitable as well as beneficial to the land. In livestock farming is the most practical solution. While it calls for a larger investment of capital and a higher class of intelligence, it pays a larger net profit on the average than grain farming. Investigation has disclosed the fact that the livestock farmer makes in this state 24 per cent larger profits than the grain farmer. However, a year like the past has been hard on livestock farmers, as only a few feeders have been able to show a profit.

As a conserver of soil fertility, the yield on a farm where livestock farming is practiced can be kept up five times as long without the purchase of fertilizers as on the grain farm.

In one branch of livestock farming, viz., dairying, when only the butter-fat is sold off the farm, there is no loss of fertility at all. Where mature animals are bought and fattened on the farm, there is only a small loss of fertility. But where animals are raised on the farm and then sold there is a loss of about one-fifth of the fertility of the feed they have eaten. In other words, when you are selling fat, you are only selling sunshine and water. But when you are selling bone and muscle you are selling nitrogen, phosphorus and potash.

In keeping livestock the manure is a valuable by-product. Its value practically pays for the labor of caring for the stock. However, manure can be so carelessly handled as to waste one-half its value by letting it heat or lay exposed to the weather. The best way to save all its value is letting the animals themselves scatter it in the fields and the next best is to haul it out as soon as possible and spread thinly.

Livestock farming saves more than fertility. It condenses freight. Ten bushels of corn can be condensed in a hog or other animal and save freight. A ton of hay made into butter-fat is selling the condensed article of high value in place of the bulky one of low value.

The livestock farmer can place an acre of corn in the silo and get twice the value that the grain farmer can. He has his labor distributed throughout the year, instead of a rush during the growing season, consequently he can secure a better class of help. He will rotate his crops and use for pasture what the grain farmer would waste.

Livestock farming is a permanent industry. It is the best insurance against famine. It calls for a man of higher intelligence, for the farmer cannot specialize altogether, but must have his eggs in several baskets and must keep a close watch on them all.

R. G. Collins, Postmaster, Barnegat, N. J., was troubled with a severe la grippe cough. He says: "I would be completely exhausted after each fit of violent coughing. I bought a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and before I had taken it all the coughing spells had entirely ceased. It can't be beat. Laclede Drug Co."

Scientists think our cold winter may have been a result of a change in the course of the Japan Current in the Pacific ocean. Another Japanese plot against us?

C. A. Glossner, 24 Ontario St., Rochester, N. Y., has recovered from a long and severe attack of kidney trouble, his cure being due to Foley Kidney Pills. After detailing his case, he says: "I am only sorry I did not learn sooner of Foley Kidney Pills. In a few days' time my backache completely left me and I felt greatly improved. My kidneys became stronger, dizzy spells left me and I was no longer annoyed at night. I feel 100 per cent better since using Foley Kidney Pills." Laclede Drug Co.

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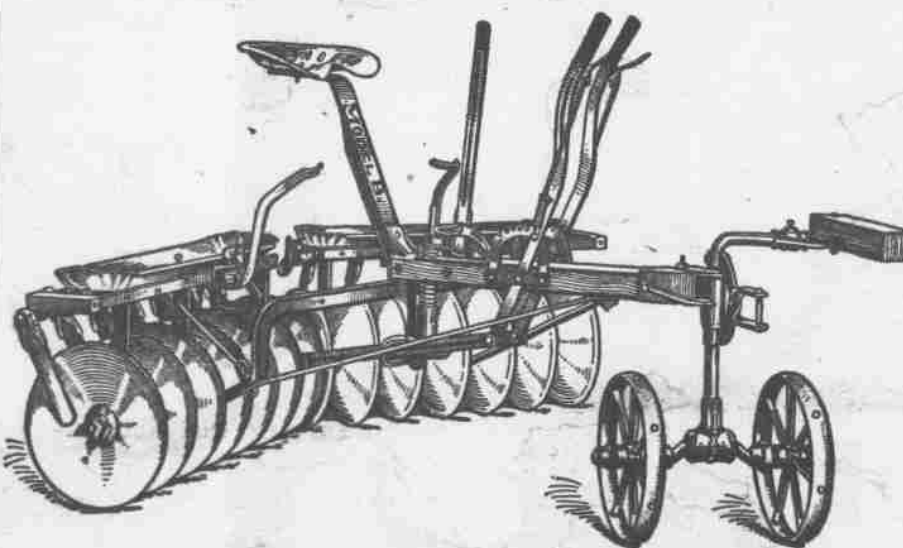
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